



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Inventor..... George W. Bagby  
Assignee ..... None  
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Examiner ..... Suzette J. Jackson  
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Title: **"Bone Joining Implant With Retaining Tabs"**

**RESPONSE TO 06/08/2004 OFFICE ACTION**

To: Mail Stop AMENDMENT  
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Dear Madam:

In response to the Office Action dated June 8, 2004, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 8 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this paper.